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DEPARTMENT OF IRRIGATION

PROJECT BRANCH

NOTIFICATION

The 16th November, 2016

No.11/95/14-PJ(4)/876486.-As per letter issued by Cabinet Affairs Branch, Department of General Administration, Govt. of Punjab vide their letter no.1/323/2016 1 cabinet/4899 Dated 15-11-2016 Punjab Cabinet in its meeting dated 15th Nov. 2016, has decided as under:-

“Whereas, fertile agricultural land in the State of Punjab was compulsorily acquired, without the consent of the land owners, under the provisions of the Land Acquisition Act, 1894 for an ostensible public purpose, namely the construction of Satluj Yamuna Link Canal Project.

And whereas, the State of Punjab does not have even a drop of spare water to give to any State.

And whereas, the water table in the State of Punjab is constantly depleting.

And, whereas, sparing even a drop of water to any other State, under any circumstances, shall be detrimental to the interest of the State of Punjab and its people.

And whereas, no public purpose is being served or likely to be served by construction of SYL Canal Project.

Whereas, it is expedient and in public interest to rehabilitate the land owners who were divested of their proprietary rights on the land acquired for SYL Canal Project.

Now, therefore, the Council of Ministers decides in public interest that the land acquired for SYL Canal project which is presently vested in the Punjab Government, free from all encumbrances, stands denotified with immediate effect and shall forthwith vest in the original land owners or their lineal descendents/ legal representatives, free of cost.”

In view of above mentioned decision of the cabinet of Govt. of Punjab, it is hereby notified that the land

acquired for SYL Canal project which is presently vested in the Punjab Government, free from all encumbrances, stands denotified with immediate effect and shall forthwith vest in the original land owners or their lineal descendants/legal representatives, free of cost.

Chandigarh

The 16th November, 2016

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